



BUDGET SECTION

Tuesday, June 22, 2021
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Review of the [Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management](#)
- 10:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a [memorandum](#) regarding the duties and responsibilities of the Budget Section
- 10:10 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the following memorandums and reports:
- [67th Legislative Assembly State Budget Actions for the 2021-23 Biennium](#)
 - [Estimated Revenue Sources and Distributions for Major State Funds for the 2021-23 Biennium](#)
 - [Budget Status Report for the 2021-23 Biennium](#)
 - [67th Legislative Assembly Changes to Agency Budgets - 2021-23 Biennium](#)
- 10:20 a.m. [Presentations](#) by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget regarding:
- Status of the general fund
 - Report on any tobacco settlement proceeds
 - Reports from state agencies applying for federal grants estimated to be \$25,000 or more pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-27-27
 - Irregularities in the fiscal practices of the state pursuant to Section 54-14-03.1
 - The status of the receipt of federal state fiscal recovery relief funds and the federal Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund and guidelines for their use
- *10:35 a.m. Committee consideration of the following state agency requests pursuant to Chapter 54-16 that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require consideration by the Budget Section:
- **Department of Commerce ([Request #2033](#))** - The request is to reallocate \$3,000,000 of the department's \$82,179,000 2019-21 biennium appropriation from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund for an industrial life science grant program for the purpose of researching and manufacturing vaccines and related technologies, developing rapid antibody-based diagnostic tests, and increasing North Dakota's capacity to treat COVID-19 and other diseases, such as cancer and diabetes.
 - **Department of Environmental Quality ([Request #2034](#))** - The request is to authorize the department to accept \$400,000 of federal coronavirus relief funds for the 2019-21 biennium and to accept and spend \$750,000 of federal coronavirus relief funds for the 2021-23 biennium from the State Department of Health for wastewater testing.

- **Office of Management and Budget (Request #2035)** - The request is to transfer \$100,000 from the operating expenses line item to the salaries and wages line item for the 2019-21 biennium to make available a total of \$2.4 million for unemployment insurance payments.
- **Council on the Arts (Request #2037)** - The request is to increase 2021-23 biennium special funds spending authority by \$269,000 in the grants line item to accept and spend funds from the Bush Foundation for a Lakota song repatriation project (\$209,000) and from the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies for a tiny press kit project (\$60,000).
- **Department of Human Services (Request #2041)** - The request is to increase 2021-23 biennium special funds spending authority by \$1.7 million in the grants line item to accept and spend federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds from the Department of Public Instruction for early childhood programs.

- 10:50 a.m. Presentation of a [report](#) from the Legacy and Budget Stabilization Fund Advisory Board regarding the status of the legacy fund and budget stabilization fund investments
- *11:10 a.m. [Presentation](#) by a representative of the Board of University and School Lands regarding a report of state agencies that have not submitted a claim for unclaimed property belonging to those agencies and Budget Section consideration of the relinquishment of agencies' rights to recover unclaimed property pursuant to Section 47-30.1-24.1
- 11:25 a.m. [Presentation](#) by a representative of Job Service North Dakota on the actual job insurance trust fund balance and the targeted modified average high-cost multiplier pursuant to Section 52-02-17
- 11:35 a.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 11:45 a.m. Adjourn

***Includes a request for Budget Section action.**

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.legis.nd.gov>.

Committee Members

- Representatives: Don Vigesaa, Bert Anderson, Larry Bellew, Tracy Boe, Joshua A. Boschee, Mike Brandenburg, Jeff Delzer, Michael Howe, Keith Kempenich, Kim Koppelman, Gary Kreidt, Scott Louser, Bob Martinson, Lisa Meier, Alisa Mitskog, Corey Mock, David Monson, Mike Nathe, Jon O. Nelson, Chet Pollert, Mark Sanford, Mike Schatz, Jim Schmidt, Randy A. Schobinger, Michelle Strinden
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